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TO ALL DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR POSTS

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 048555

INFORM CONSULS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF, ET, US

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ASYLUM FOR ETHIOPIANS

1. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO DEPT., ETHIOPIAN MILITARY GOVERNMENT HAS CALLED ITS CHIEFS OF MISSION HOME FOR CONSULTATIONS AND TO DETERMINE WHETHER THEY WILL BE RETAINED IN DIPLOMATIC ASSIGNMENTS. SEVERAL ETHIOPIAN AMBASSADORS, CONCERNED BY VIOLENT EVENTS IN ETHIOPIA, APPARENTLY HAVE DECIDED NOT TO RETURN TO ADDIS ABABA AS DIRECTED. CONSEQUENTLY, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT ETHIOPIAN AMBASSADORS AND OTHER OFFICIAL PERSONNEL MAY APPROACH OUR POSTS SEEKING VISAS FOR THE UNITED STATES OR POLITICAL ASYLUM.

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2. POSTS SHOULD BE GUIDED BY DEPT.'S A-5895 OF SEPT., 10, 1975, SPECIFICALLY ADDRESSED TO ASYLUM REQUESTS FROM ETHIOPIANS, AS WELL AS GENERAL GUIDANCE CONTAINED 74 STATE A-6610 AND 2 FAM 227, 228, AND 229. AMONG THE INDIVIDUALS WHO WOULD APPEAR TO HAVE A WELL-FOUNDED FEAR OF RETURNING TO ETHIOPIA, IN ADDITION TO CATEGORIES DESCRIBED IN DEPT.'S A-5895, ARE INDIVIDUALS WHO HELD POSITIONS OF TRUST WITH

THE EMG BEFORE THE CURRENT HEAD OF STATE, LT.COL. MENGISTU, CONSOLIDATED HIS POWER ON FEBRUARY 3 WITH THE KILLING OF FORMER HEAD OF STATE TEFERI BANTI AND SIX OTHER RANKING LEADERS OF THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT.

3. IF POST APPROACHED BY ETHIOPIAN OFFICIAL WHO INDICATES HIS INTENTION TO CUT TIES WITH EXISTING ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT AND SEEKS RESIDENCE IN U.S., POSTS SHOULD IMMEDIATELY INFORM DEPT. AND REPEAT MESSAGE TO ADDIS ABABA AND US MISSION GENEVA.

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